

IRAN SANCTIONS ENABLING ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing on H.R. 1327, Iran Sanctions Enabling Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Ted Deutch, Senator, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

U.S. FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY IN THE GLOBAL CRISIS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade held a hearing on U.S. Foreign Economic Policy in the Global Crisis. Testimony was heard from C. Fred Bergsten, former Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

BORDER VIOLENCE—STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism held a hearing entitled “Border Violence: An Examination of DHS Strategies and Resources”. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: VADM Roger T. Rufe, Jr., (USCG Ret.), Director, Office of Operations Coordination; Alonzo Pena, Department of Homeland Security Attache, U.S. Embassy, Mexico City; John Leech, Acting Director, Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement; Salvador Nieto, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Intelligence and Operations Coordination, Customs and Border Protection; and Kumar Kibble, Deputy Director, Office of Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

VIOLENCE ON THE U.S.-MEXICAN BORDER

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, and Foreign Affairs held a hearing on Money, Guns, and Drugs: Are U.S. Inputs Fueling Violence on the U.S.-Mexican Border? Testimony was heard from Jonathan Paton, Senator, State of Arizona; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES FY 2010 BUDGET

Committee on Rules: On March 11, the Committee adopted its Budget Views and Estimates of the President's Fiscal Year Budget for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

ATSDR: PROBLEMS IN THE PAST, POTENTIAL FOR THE FUTURE

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing on ATSDR: Problems in the Past, Potential for the Future? Testimony was heard from Howard Frumkin, Director, National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry,

Department of Health and Human Services; the following former officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Salvador Mier, former Director, Prevention, Center for Disease Control; and Ronnie Wilson, former Ombudsman, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry; and public witnesses.

ENSURING STIMULUS CONTRACTS—SMALL AND VETERANS OWNED BUSINESSES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology held a hearing on Ensuring Stimulus Contracts for Small and Veteran-owned Businesses. Testimony was heard from Calvin Jenkins, Acting Associate Administrator, Government Contracting and Business Development, SBA; Joel Szabat, Assistant Secretary, Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation; Gail Wegner, Acting Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Veterans Affairs; Brenda DeGraffenreid, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Energy; Linda Oliver, Acting Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; PROTECTING LOWER-INCOME FAMILIES WHILE FIGHTING GLOBAL WARMING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support met for organizational purposes.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Protecting Lower-Income Families While Fighting Global Warming. Testimony was heard from Terry Dinian, Senior Advisor, Climate Issues, CBO; and public witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Intelligence Activities. Testimony was heard from Leon Panetta, Director, CIA.

Joint Meetings**VETERANS' SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS**

Joint Hearing: Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine legislative presentations of veterans' service organizations, after receiving testimony from John Chad Hapner, American Veterans (AMVETS), Lanham, MD; Robert H. Price, Air Force Sergeants Association, Suitland, MD; Joseph L. Barnes, USN (Ret.), Fleet Reserve Association, and Robert F. Norton, USA (Ret.), Military Officers Association of America, both of Alexandria, VA; Gene